

REMARKS

Claims 1, 7-9, 40, and 42-64 were pending. Applicants have canceled claims 1, 7-9, 40, 42, 50-57, and 61-64 without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to pursue canceled subject matter in one or more continuation or divisional applications. Applicants respectfully request that the amendments and remarks made herein be entered into the record of the instant application. Claims 43-49 and 58-60 are allowed.

THE CLAIM REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN


Claims 1, 7-9, 40, 42, 50-57, and 61-64 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Bizik *et al.* (Int J Cancer. 1986 Jan 15;37(1):81-8, "Bizik"). Without making any admission as to the merits of the Examiner's rejection and in order to expedite prosecution of the instant Application, Applicants have canceled claims 1, 7-9, 40, 42, 50-57, and 61-64. In view of the present amendment, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection of claims 1, 7-9, 40, 42, 50-57, and 61-64 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, is moot and should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and remarks made herein into the file history of the present application. The present amendments are made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116(b)(1), and thus should be entered. Withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection and an allowance of the application are earnestly requested. If any issues remain in connection herewith, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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